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SRI M. P. GOVINDA MENON :—" Apart from the suggestion of the Hon. the Leader of the House, under Rule 6 of the Council Rules, the discussion on the Governor's Address ' shall last till such time as the Chairman may consider necessary and shall have precedence over other business of the House except business of a formal or ceremonial nature '. So, Sir, the Chairman's hands are fettered and he has no discretion to deviate from the Rules governing the conduct of business in the House. On a point of order, therefore, I say that the discussion on the Address may be continued before the other Motion is taken up."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" I am quite willing that it may be taken that the change in the order of business is made at the instance of the last speaker himself and not at my instance. (Laughter.)

* SRI S. B. ADITYAN :—" I want to raise a point of procedure. You are aware, Sir, of Rule 22 (3) which says that the order of business, as arranged in the list, shall not be revised except on a Motion accepted by the House. We have already had the agenda and all that I say is that a formal Motion be moved. We have agreed to a change in the order of business. When we do so, let us do it in the proper way prescribed by the Rules. I would request the Hon. the Leader of the House to make a formal Motion which will be formally accepted by the House."

* THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" I am sorry, Sir, we are needlessly prolonging the discussion. I made the suggestion to the Chairman and it was about to be accepted when an hon. Member on the other side raised a point of order and I yielded to him. I said, let it be discussed in the order mentioned originally and so no question arises of a motion now."

III.—PANEL OF CHAIRMEN.

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" I have to announce to the House that under rule 15 of the Madras Council Rules, I have nominated the following four Members of the Council to be the panel of Chairmen for the first session of the Legislative Council under the new Constitution :—

1 Sri K. Bhashyam.
2 Srimathi S. Manjubhashini.
3 Srimathi J. Sita Mahalaxmi.
4 Dr. R. K. Shanmukham Chetty."

IV.—DISCUSSION ON HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS—*cont.*

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" The House will now continue the discussion of the Governor's Address."

* SRIMATHI J. SITA MAHALAXMI :—" Mr. Chairman, Sir, I rise to associate myself with the sentiments expressed by the previous speakers who supported the motion of Thanks to His